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REF: A. SANTO DOMINGO 0231

1B. SANTO DOMINGO 0251

1C. STATE 17891

11. As reported in Refs A and B, Foreign Minister Morales informed the Ambassador on February 15 that, regarding Kosovo's independence, the Dominican Republic would support the United States' position. On February 20, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Manuel Trullols told the Ambassador that final decisions regarding Dominican plans for recognition were pending a conversation between Morales and President Fernandez.

12. On February 22, the Ambassador delivered Ref C demarche to Trullols. Trullols replied that Foreign Minister Morales is returning to Santo Domingo shortly; said that Morales plans to discuss the issue with President Fernandez over the weekend; and, pledged a response to the U.S. on February 25.

This report and additional information can be found on Embassy Santo Domingo's SIPRNET site,
<http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/wha/santodomingo/>
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